



NEW YEAR RECEIVERS.

All persons who intend to keep open house on New Years, and those who do not receive will send their notices to the Bee not later than Tuesday of next week. All notices will be published free of charge.

Miss Alice Strange Davis has been appointed a music teacher in the schools.

ANNAPOLIS NOTES.

GOLDEN DEATH OF THOMAS DAWKINS—SHERIDAN POST MEETING—ODD FELLOWS—CHURCH RALLY—MUSICAL ENTERTAINMENTS—A NEW JUDGE APPOINTED—CIRCUIT COURT CLERK DEAD—SOCIAL NEWS, ETC.

The sudden death of Thomas Dawkins Tuesday December 8 was a surprise to all. He was an official member of Mt. Moriah A. M. E. church. Also a Grand Army man. He was buried from Asbury M. E. church Thursday at 3 p. m. His funeral was conducted by his pastor, Rev. S. T. Tice. He was followed to his last resting place by his comrades in full regalia. He leaves a wife and several children to mourn his loss. He was a good man, a peaceable and inoffensive citizen and enjoyed the respect of all classes. Age 66 years.

At a meeting of Sheridan Post No. 12 G. A. R. last week, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Commander, D. W. Young; Senior Vice Commander, Thomas Jones; Junior Vice Commander, Frank Smith; Officer of the Day, M. E. Culy; Officer of the Guard, M. E. Colbert; Quartermaster, John Boston; Delegates to the Department Encampment, John Boston, Joseph Bell; Alternate, M. Colbert and D. Brice. The post is in a flourishing condition and has fifty or sixty members. Some of whom show their age very much, others look like young men. They are an interesting body that stir one's heart with emotion and pride when they turn out.

G. U. O. of O. F. No. 1450 gave an entertainment and supper at Gallian Hall Friday night Dec. 11 that was appreciated by all who attended. The reporter extends thanks for complimentary tickets sent him by the managers.

Rev. F. A. Seaton, pastor of the A. M. E. church at Camp Paroll, held a rally last Sunday week, at which \$6.00 was raised. Rev. B. T. Perkins, pastor of Asbury, preached for him at 11 a. m. Rev. Seaton is a son of Rev. Dr. Seaton well known in Washington. He is doing a good work here, and is beloved by his people.

Sunday was rally day at Mt. Moriah church. The battle was pitched for all day. The captains had been marshaling their hosts for six weeks or more and many scumblings had been fought out on the picket lines and foraging expeditions. The smell of powder was in the air. The final array approached with confidence. Rev. S. T. Tice, the indefatigable pastor, preached in the morning at 11. The Sunday school was wheeled in line in the afternoon. Rev. F. A. Seaton from Camp Paroll poured in a broadside at 8 p. m. and when the smoke had cleared away 10.30 p. m., it was found that \$636.00 had been captured. A musical prodigy, Prof. W. L. Lindsay, the greatest whistler and warbler of the human race and champion harmonica player of the world will give three of his fine entertainments at Asbury M. E. church December 18, 21 and 22. He plays five instruments at one time in perfect cord. He has been here before and was reported dead but he is very much alive.

The Christmas entertainment at Asbury December 24 promises to be the finest ever given in this city. A brick chimney, a real Santa Claus, a live snow storm. Glory in the highest is the programme, new music, thirty trained voices, given by the Sunday school, Solomon Bolden S. S. S.

Rev. Mrs. S. T. Tice is at John's Hopkin's hospital and has undergone a surgical operation successfully and is said to be doing well.

It is now Judge Merrick and congratulations are in order. The death of John W. Belt, the popular clerk of the circuit court of Prince George county, is a serious loss to the republican party in Southern Maryland. He is one of the few white republicans who was true to his convictions and principles. He professed to be a friend to the colored man and proved it by appointing Dr. Watkins, a colored man as chief clerk in his office, and until a successor to Mr. Belt is appointed the entire business of that office devolves upon Dr. Watkins.

Mr. Joseph Allen, jr., of the U. S. Steamship Marblehead, is home on leave of absence visiting his family. His three years term of service will expire in July next. His son Joseph Allen, jr., who is matriculating in Howard University, was also home on Sunday to see his father, and we are sure his best girl was glad to see him.

Miss A. Johnson, of Davidsonville, was on a visit to Miss Sarah Colbert of Washington street and returned home via Baltimore this week.

Mrs. Richard E. King who has been quite sick is convalescent.

AN APPEAL TO THE PEOPLE

The Metropolitan Baptist church was organized, in May, 1863, by Rev. Henry Bailey who built a frame structure on the ground where the church now stands. At that time there was but a small lot and a dilapidated frame structure which no doubt, corresponded with the times and condition of the people in that vicinity. It was a neighborhood that will be long remembered and one of which history records many offenses which were menaces to civilization.

The founder of the structure failed to reform the condition of the people in that vicinity. Not until the late Rev. John Brooks, one of the apostles of reform, arrived on the scene and in connection with Rev. Johnson, this great divine, was the section that was christened with the name that became obnoxious to the ears of the people. What can now be said of this great citizen and this section where the Metropolitan church is located? It is dedicated as "Paradise Found." The property of all classes is valuable. Instead of one or two churches there are many; in the places of the huts and hovels, we witness gilded palaces and magnificent edifices which will be handed down to posterity, or to our children and children's children. The towering forms of the pioneers will be only shadows and their deeds will be emblazoned on the scroll of fame.

The Metropolitan Baptist church was formerly known as the Fourth Baptist church. Rev. Robert Johnson was elected pastor in June, 1870 and in 1882 the old frame structure was torn down on account of its weakness. The church was 35 by 60 feet. Rev. Johnson by push and energy succeeded in increasing its membership. The church became too small. The people were enlightened in the great truths of church reform. Rev. Johnson saw an opportunity to enlarge so he purchased two lots west of the church and now its present capacity is ten thousand (10,000) square feet of good ground.

The present brick structure cost forty-five thousand (\$45,000) dollars and its dimension is 65 by 110 feet, two (2) story press brick front, on which there is a mortgage of twenty-two thousand (\$22,000) dollars. It is no doubt the largest colored Baptist church in this city and a structure that is a monument to the great Baptist denomination. The church is about to be sold because its membership has not, on account of the great financial crash, been able to meet its notes.

We have endeavored to do our duty and to uphold this Christian congregation; we have worked assiduously to maintain our credit and promote the Christian religion. Necessity now compels us to make an appeal to the Christian people for help. We need help and we must have it. We believe that the dissemination of the Christian doctrine in this country does as much to reform an immoral people as the laws that are enacted to punish crime.

The moral effect of the Christian ministry upon a community has demonstrated its power in the neighborhood in which our church is located. No one knows this better than those who are aware of the past history of our church and the great work of reform that has been instituted by our pastor and his coworkers.

Most our work stop here on account of our inability to liquidate our church indebtedness? Our government has been made strong on account of its crusades against crime and offenses. Our rulers have been more or less Christian advocates and promoters of a good government.

The laws of church and state have kept the people in tact.

Our Emancipation has taught us to go onward and upward and what we have gained since Emancipation by our industry and adherence to the laws of church and state should not be lost in this era of our Christian government and reform because we are powerless to help ourselves. The God who controls the destiny of nations, religions, creeds, etc., is asked to aid us in this hour of distress. We make this appeal to the Christian people.

1st. Because the Metropolitan church is in need of financial aid.

2nd. Because we can not pay off the present indebtedness of the church without the aid of the Christian people and our friends.

3rd. This congregation and church have been a benefit to the

vicinity in which it is established. 4th. We appeal to our Baptist churches throughout this country to send at once a contribution to aid us in liquidating our indebtedness.

Our burden is heavy and our labors have been incessant and in the name of Him who giveth and taketh we appeal to our Christian Churches to aid us.

All contributions will be received by our pastor, Rev. Robert Johnson and acknowledged through the press of this city.

Respectfully submitted by the following trustees of the Metropolitan Baptist church:

G. R. Robinson,
Joshua Johnson,
Harry Hamilton.

2015 Vermont avenue n. w.,
Washington, D. C.



Among the many houses in this city that are entitled to patronage of the people are those that appear from time to time in The Bee.

Mr. E. P. Smith, whose card appears in this weeks issue of The Bee is one of the best known business men in the northwest. Mr. Smith conducts the Fair at No. 1712 14th street, n. w., where the people can purchase some of the cheapest Christmas presents in the city. This gentleman is a liberal and kind man to our churches, fairs, and the poor. His name is a household word among all classes of people. Give him a trial.

Mr. D. Volland, the popular confectioner at No. 907 N street, northwest, always keeps on hand cakes baked daily, fresh candies of all kinds, ice cream, etc. He has been in business at this stand for thirty years or more. You will always be treated kindly and fairly at this place. Mr. Volland is a good man.

Mr. George F. Kozel, at 1835 14th street, is where the best people in the city go to be refreshed. No man is better known to the people than Mr. Kozel.

Mr. J. R. Gow, the shoe man, at 1638 14th street, northwest, is no doubt the best and cheapest place in that section of the city. If you want cheap and good shoes, don't fail to call at his place of business.

Mr. Jacob Fussell, 1427 New York avenue, northwest, is a chip from the old block. His cream has been the standard since 1851. Just think of it, forty-five years has Fussell's cream been the pride of Washington. Mr. Fussell is the son of the people's friend, who could be seen at one time extending a welcome hand to all classes of people. His son is a chip from that block, and if you want good cream don't fail to call on him.

Do the people want cheap Christmas presents? Do the people want good presents? Do the people want to deal with one of the noblest men in business? If they do, don't fail to go to the Syndicate Purchasing Company, and ask for Mr. Augustine, 437 7th street, northwest.

Stoll's is the place for down town shoes. There is none to beat him. He has no rival for good shoes and cheap ones at that. Shoes that you would pay five or six dollars elsewhere you can buy them at Stoll's for one-half of the money. Everybody is satisfied who visits this place. Just try him, 810 7th street, n. w.

Mr. Hudson is the place after all. This veteran business man can be found at 818 7th street, northwest. You can get some of the best and finest dinner, supper, and breakfast sets in the city. Crockery, China ware, etc. almost given away. Just call there and mention The Bee and you will get a discount on all goods.

George & Co., 908 7th street, northwest, is where you will find the best goods. Take your boys there and say The Bee sent you. Mr. George is an affable and just man to the people.

E. Murray, at 600 and 602 3d street, southwest is the best Afro-American confectioner in the city and equal to all others. His cream cannot be surpassed. Mr. Murray has every facility for making good cream and cakes.

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If you want the finest hand-made cigars in the country, sumatra wrapper, Havana filled, go at once to Carney's factory, 921 G street, s. w. Mr. Carney is a business man of ability. Don't fail to go and inspect his factory and see for yourselves.

The old reliable Frank Hume, at 454 Penn. avenue, n. w., is the place to go for your groceries. Frank Hume's name is a household word to housekeepers.

WINES AND LIQUORS.

Notwithstanding the agitation of temperance cranks who will strain out a knot and swallow a camel, good people will drink good wines and whiskeys. The best known wholesale and retail houses in the city are the Xanders. These three brothers keep separate places of business and are known far and wide.

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Those who may come to the city can find first-class accommodations at Holmes' Hotel, the largest Afro-American house in the city. Mr. Holmes is a Chesterfield, 333 Virginia avenue southwest.

The Philadelphia House is conducted by the popular and well-known P. B. Meridith, at No. 348 Penn. avenue, n. w. This place is being thoroughly remodeled and newly painted.

Mrs. D. C. Jones at 220 B street and 235 Penn. avenue, n. w., is a place where you can be well cared for. Mrs. Jones is a whole soul business woman.

Mr. James Tharp at 812 F street, northwest, is one of the oldest and best wine houses in the city. Mr. Tharp is a man who recognizes merit. He keeps some of the best in the market.

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If you are in the vicinity of 443 13 street, s. w., don't fail to ask for Mr. Robert H. Key, where you can satisfy the inner man. Mr. Key is an open hearted and kind friend.

The largest hotel for Afro-American guests will be found in The Bee directory of hotels. The largest and best houses in the city.

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Joseph Gawler, 1734 Penn. avenue, northwest.

R. F. Harvey, 892 Penn. ave. n. w. George W. Wise, 2900 M street, Georgetown, D. C.

John R. Wright, 1337 10th street, n. w.

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(To be continued in our next.)

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. T. Bolyar, of Altoona, Pa., were in the city this week, the guests of Mrs. Richardson, 1416 I street, n. w. Mrs. Bolyar is a very pleasant and entertaining lady. Mr. Bolyar has been recently elected Deputy Grand Master of Masonic of his State. He is now chairman of the Altoona Afro-American State League.

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